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The construction of steam-propelled tractors for trucking purposes has been incorporated in the production program of the LÖWA Fahrzeug-und Gerätebau (Vehicle and Implement Building Plant of the Locomotive and Coach Combine) at Vetschau.

The steam tractor is designed for heavy freight haulage. It is propelled by superheated steam of 25 atmospheres excess pressure which is produced in a water-tube boiler with a steam capacity of 500 kilograms per hour. The two-cylinder steam engine develops a capacity of 65 horsepower; its maximum speed is 30 kilometers per hour with a maximum pulling force of 4,000 kilograms. The engine is being improved further, and it is planned to increase its capacity to 120 horsepower.

Large orders for the truck tractor have been received from Poland and other people's democracies, including China.

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EXPAND WANDERER MACHINE PLANT -- Berlin, Taegliche Rundschau, 25 Mar 51

The first building project, under the Five-Year Plan, of the people-owned Wanderer Milling Machine Works in Chemnitz will be completed by the end of March, the date scheduled for completion of an assembly shop covering an area of 2,600 square meters. Construction of two other shops, to cover 5,200 square meters of floor space, is to begin in April. These shops are scheduled to be completed by the end of 1951.

RUSH NEW FURNACE FOR STEEL MILLS -- Berlin, Taegliche Rundschau, 10 Apr 51

The fifth Siemens-Martin furnace is now being built at the Hennigsdorf Steel and Rolling Mills.

It is expected that the furnace will be completed by 1 May, ahead of the planned target date.

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